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7 8		DISTRICT COURT WASHINGTON AT SEATTLE
9	LETICIA LUCERO,	No.: 2:13-cv-00602
10	Plaintiff,	ANSWER TO AMENDED COMPLAINT BY DEFENDANT BAYVIEW LOAN
11	v.	SERVICING, LLC
12	CENLAR F.S.B., et al.,	
13	Defendants.	
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15	COMES NOW defendant Bayview Loan Servicing, LLC ("Bayview") and answer	
16	Plaintiff's First Amended Complaint <sup>1</sup> as follows	S:
17	I. <u>INT</u>	RODUCTION
18	1. The First Amended Complaint speaks for	or itself, no response is required.
19	II. <u>JU</u>	RISDICTION
20 21	2. Admit that the subject real property is lo	ocated within this district. To the extent this
22	pleading requires a legal conclusion, no respons	se is required.
23	III. <u>PARTIES, RELAT</u>	IONSHIPS, & LIABILITIES
24	3. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient	ent to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
25	same.	
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<sup>1</sup> Dkt # 34 (Plaintiff's FAC) Answer -1 -MH #WA13-7452

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5. Admit that Plaintiff sought a loan modification through Bayview. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the remaining allegations, and denies same.

- 6. The Deed of Trust speaks for itself. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the remaining allegations, and denies same.
- 7. Bayview is a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware. Admit that Bayview services mortgages in default. Admit that Bayview uses phone and mail to contact borrowers in the State of Washington. To the extent this pleading requires a legal conclusion as to "debt collector", no response is required.
- 8. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies same.
- 9. This pleading asks for a legal conclusion, no response is required.
- 10. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies same.
- 11. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies same.
- 12. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies same.
- 13. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies same.

# IV. <u>FACTS CONCERNING NWTS' COMMENCEMENT OF NONJUDICIAL</u> <u>FORECLOSURE OF PLAINTIFF'S HOMESTEAD</u>

- 14. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies same.
- 15. Deny that Plaintiff submitted a Qualified Written Request to Bayview.

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1	29.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
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3	30.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
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5	31.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
6	same.	
7	VI.	CONCURRENT OR DUAL REPRESENTATION WHERE RCO IS COUNSEL
8		FOR NWTS AND LOAN SERVICERS
9	32.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
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1	33.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
12	same.	
13	34.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
4	same.	
15	35.	This pleading asks for a legal conclusion, no response is required.
6	36.	This pleading asks for a legal conclusion, no response is required.
17		VII. <u>CAUSES OF ACTION</u>
8	COUNT ONE: FAILURE TO MATERIALLY COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF	
9		THE DEED SOF TRUST ACT RCW 61.24. ET. SEQ.
20	37.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
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22	38.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
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24	39.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
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26	40.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
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44.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies			
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45.	Deny.			
46.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies			
same.				
COUNT TWO: DEFENDANTS' CONDUCT VIOLATED RESPA				
47.	Deny.			
48.	Deny that Plaintiff submitted a Qualified Written Request to Bayview. To the extent this			
pleading asks for a legal conclusion, no response is required.				
49.	Deny that Plaintiff submitted a Qualified Written Request to Bayview. To the extent this			
pleading asks for a legal conclusion, no response is required.				
50.	Deny.			
51.	Deny.			
COUNT THREE: DEFENDANTS VIOLATED FEDERAL DEBT COLLECTION				
PRACTICE ACT ("FDCPA")				
52.	Deny.			
53.	Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies			
same. To the extent this pleading asks for a legal conclusion, no response is required.				
54.	Admit that Bayview contacted Plaintiff in December of 2012 in connection with her loan.			
To the extent this pleading characterizes the contacts as collection in nature, it requests a legal				
conclusion, and no response is required.				

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- 3 | 2013 speaks for itself.
- 4 56. The "Cease and Desist" letter dated February 13, 2013 to Bayview speaks for itself.
- 5 | Admit it was received by Bayview.
- 6 57. The HAMP Agreement speaks for itself. Deny that Bayview has done any reporting to the credit bureaus regarding Plaintiff's loan.
  - 58. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies same.
- 10 59. This pleading asks for a legal conclusion, no response is required. To the extent this pleading alleges liability, it is denied.
- 12 | 60. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies same.
  - 61. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies same.
  - | 62. Deny.

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## COUNT FOUR: DEFENDANTS VIOLATED WASHINGTON CONSUMER PROTECTION ACT. RCW 19.86 ET SEQ.

- 19 | 63. Deny.
- 20 | 64. Deny.
  - 65. Deny. To the extent this pleading asks for a legal conclusion, no response is required.
- 22 | 66. Deny. To the extent this pleading asks for a legal conclusion, no response is required.
- 23 67. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
- 24 || same.
- 25 68. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
- 26 || same.
  - 69. Bayview is without knowledge sufficient to admit or deny the allegations, and denies
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Plaintiff's claims are barred by application of doctrines of waiver, laches, and/or estoppel.

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- 3. Any purported damages suffered by the Plaintiffs were the result of acts or omissions of third persons over whom Defendant had neither control nor responsibility.
- 4. Plaintiff has failed to plead fraud or misrepresentation with particularity.
- 5. Plaintiff's damages were caused by their own actions or inaction, or they were contributory negligent in causing their alleged damages.
- 6. Plaintiff has failed to mitigate their damages.
- 7. The Plaintiff is being unjustly enriched by their continued actions of remaining on the real property without payment.
- 8. Defendant(s) expressly reserves the right to add additional affirmative defenses as it determines to be appropriate at any time in the future.

#### PRAYER FOR RELIEF

Having fully answered each and every allegation contained in Plaintiffs' Complaint, stated its Affirmative Defenses, Bayview prays the Court grant the following relief:

- 1. Dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint with prejudice;
- 2. Enter an award against Plaintiffs and in favor of Bayview for all costs, expenses, and reasonable attorney's fees incurred in defending against this action to the extent allowed by law;
- 3. For such further relief as the Court may determine to be just, equitable, or fair.

Dated: February 24, 2014

#### MCCARTHY & HOLTHUS, LLP

/s/ Joseph Ward McIntosh
Joseph Ward McIntosh, Esq. WSBA #39470
Attorney for Bayview

1 CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE 2 Pursuant to RCW 9.A.72.085, the undersigned certifies under penalty of perjury under the 3 laws of the State of Washington, that on the 24th day of February, 2014, the document attached 4 hereto was presented to the Clerk of the Court for filing and uploading to the CM/ECF system. In 5 accordance with their ECF registration agreement and the Court's rules, the Clerk of the Court 6 will send e-mail notification of such filing to the following persons: 7 Attorneys for Plaintiff: Ha Thu Dao 8 Grand Central Law, PLLC 787 Maynard Avenue S. 9 Seattle, WA 98104 hadoajd@gmail.com 10 11 Vincente Omar Barraza Barraza Law, PLLC 12 14249-F Ambaum Blvd SW Burien, WA 98166 13 omar@barrazalaw.com 14 Attorneys for Defendants RCO Legal, PS and Northwest Trustee Services: 15 Heidi Buck Morrison Lauren Davidson Humphreys 16 RCO Legal, P.S. 13555 SE 36th St., Suite 300 17 Bellevue, Washington 98006 18 hbuckmorrison@rcolegal.com lhumphreys@rcolegal.com 19 Attorneys for Defendants Cenlar, FSB, Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., 20 Jennifer Dobron, and Nancy K. Morris: Renee M. Parker 21 Wright, Finlay, & Zak, LLP 22 46665 MacArthur Court, Suite 200 Newport Beach, CA 92660 23 rmparker@wrightlegal.net 24 25 26 27 28 Answer -9 -

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and I hereby certify that I have sent via first class mail the document to the following non-CM/ECF participants: N/AExecuted on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2014, in Seattle, Washington. /s/ Joel Springer\_ Joel Springer Legal Assistant McCarthy & Holthus LLP 19735 10<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE, Suite N200 Poulsbo, WA 98370 P: 206-319-9100; F: 206-780-6862 jspringer@mccarthyholthus.com 

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